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[Inclosure No. 1—Translation.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *February 25, 1900.*

SIR: Referring to this embassy's preceding note of the 12th instant, I have the honor to communicate to your excellency the following telegram, which reached me to-day from the royal ministry of the interior:

"By ordinance of maritime health, dated to-day (February 25), No. 6, the port of Aden is declared infected with the bubonic plague, and the provisions of the ordinance of May 8, 1897, No. 3, July 15, 1897, No. 6, and January 24, 1900, No. 1, will be applied to vessels coming from that port. The proper procedure of maritime health will be carried out exclusively at the ports of Genoa, Naples, Leghorn, Palermo, Messina, Brindisi, and Venice, one of which alone, consequently, will be the first touching point of such vessels.

"BERTOLINI."
FAVA.

Accept, etc.,

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

[Inclosure No. 2—Translation.]

Physicians to be placed on vessels coming from places infected with plague.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 1, 1900.*

SIR: I continue my preceding communications, the last of which was dated yesterday, February 28, relative to the quarantine instituted in Italy against the bubonic plague, and I have the honor to send you herewith a copy of a telegram which I have just received from the royal ministry of the interior:

"ROME, *March 1, 1900.*

"To the Italian embassy, Washington:

"By ordinance of to-day, it is ordered that a reliable physician appointed by the ministry, shall be placed on steamers coming from any locality declared infected with the bubonic plague, proceeding to Italy, when it is requested by the respective owners or captains. The provisions of article 2, *et seq.* of the ordinance of maritime health of June 20, 1897, No. 5, shall apply to such sanitary physicians.

"BERTOLINI."
FAVA.

Accept, etc.,

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

Quarantine against Australian ports on account of plague.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 3, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose copy of a note from the Italian ambassador at this capital announcing that his government has quarantined against the Australian ports.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure—Translation.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *February 28, 1900.*

SIR: In continuation of my note of the 25th instant, I hasten to send you herewith a copy of a telegram which I have just received from the royal ministry of the interior:

"ROME, *February 28, 1900.*

"Italian embassy, Washington:

"By ordinance of maritime health of to-day, No. 7, the Australian ports are declared infected with the bubonic plague, and the provisions of the ordinances of May 8, 1897, No. 3, July 15, 1897, No. 6, and January 24, 1900, No. 2, will be applied to vessels coming from those ports. The necessary procedure of maritime health will be carried out at the ports of Genoa, Naples, Leghorn, Palermo, Messina, Brindisi, and Venice exclusively, and consequently one of those ports only can be the first touching point of such vessels.

"BERTOLINI."
FAVA.

Accept, etc.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.